(d) and (e) Yes, Sir. The next launch of GSLV carrying the replacement satellite INSAT-4CR would take place within a year.

**Road accidents on National Highways**

*169. SHRIMATI HEMA MALINI: Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that large number of fatal accidents are taking place on roads besides National Highways costing human lives due to lack of timely medical attention;

(b) the number of such fatal accidents that took place during the last six months, State-wise;

(c) whether Government are taking any steps to save human lives by providing immediate medical treatment to the victims;

(d) whether there is any such infrastructure available in our country to attend to road accident victims like in the foreign countries;

(e) if so, the details thereof; and

(f) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI T.R. BAALU): (a) and (b) No data is available on fatal accidents on roads leading to loss of human life due to lack of timely medical attention. However, as reported by States/Union Territories (UTs), the State-wise details regarding number of persons killed on National Highways, State Highways, other roads and all roads for the year 2004 (latest available data) are given in the Statement enclosed (*See* below). The data is collected on an annual basis.

(c) to (f) Provision of assistance in case of road accident is basically the responsibility of the State Governments. This Ministry has been providing ambulances to States/UTs/Non Governmental Organisations to evacuate accident victims to the nearest medical centre under the National Highways Accident Relief Service Scheme. During the period from 2000-01 to 2004-05, 266 ambulances had been given to various States under this scheme. In addition, National Highways Authority of India provides an ambulance at an average interval of 50 kms under their Operation and Maintenance Contracts/Build, Operate, Transfer agreements on the completed stretches of National Highways entrusted to them. As on 16.6.2006, 81 ambulances have been deployed on National Highways by the National Highways Authority of India.

Apart from the above, the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare provides assistance to the States/UTs under the scheme of 'Assistance for Capacity Building' for upgradation of emergency services/trauma care facilities in hospitals including those located near the National Highways for the purpose of treatment of victims of accidents.

***Statement***

*Total number of persons killed in road accidents on National Highways, State Highways, other roads and all roads in 2004*

| Sl. No. | States/UTs | National Highways | State Highways | Other Roads | All Roads |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1. | Andhra Pradesh | 3423 | 2959 | 4170 | 10552 |
| 2. | Arunachal Pradesh | 67 | 69 | 30 | 166 |
| 3. | Assam | 870 | 240 | 178 | 1288 |
| 4. | Bihar | 592 | 495 | 704 | 1791 |
| 5. | Chhattisgarh | 631 | 585 | 844 | 2060 |
| 6. | Goa | 142 | 20 | 144 | 306 |
| 7. | Gujarat | 1631 | 1978 | 1814 | 5423 |
| 8. | Haryana | 1321 | 1186 | 910 | 3417 |
| 9. | Himachal Pradesh | 280 | 219 | 337 | 836 |
| 10. | Jammu & Kashmir | 350 | 158 | 450 | 958 |
| 11. | Jharkhand | 856 | 545 | 468 | 1869 |
| 12. | Karnataka | 2425 | 1497 | 2574 | 6496 |
| 13. | Kerala | 1196 | 445 | 1418 | 3059 |
| 14. | Madhya Pradesh | 1475 | 1149 | 2079 | 4703 |
| 15. | Maharashtra | 3135 | 3398 | 3342 | 9875 |
| 16. | Manipur | 53 | 39 | 23 | 115 |
| 17. | Meghalya | 87 | 33 | 15 | 135 |
| 18. | Mizoram | 36 | 11 | 12 | 59 |
| 19. | Nagaland | 36 | 14 | 10 | 60 |
| 20. | Orissa | 1353 | 549 | 552 | 2454 |
| 21. | Punjab | 1047 | 774 | 759 | 2580 |
| 22. | Rajasthan | 2672 | 896 | 2909 | 6477 |
| 23. | Sikkim | 16 | 26 | 9 | 51 |
| 24. | Tamil Nadu | 4158 | 2776 | 2573 | 9507 |
| 25. | Tripura | 77 | 68 | 36 | 181 |
| 26. | Uttaranchal | 425 | 291 | 215 | 931 |
| 27. | Uttar Pradesh | 3860 | 2805 | 3281 | 9946 |
| 28. | West Bengal | 2113 | 1396 | 1485 | 4994 |

| Sl. No. | States/UTs | National Highways | State Highways | Other Roads | All Roads |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 29. | Andaman & Nicobar Islands | 0 | 0 | 15 | 15 |
| 30. | Chandigarh | 22 | 1 | 126 | 149 |
| 31. | Dadra & Nagar Haveli | 0 | 0 | 54 | 54 |
| 32. | Daman & Diu | 0 | 0 | 24 | 24 |
| 33. | Delhi | 276 | 304 | 1327 | 1907 |
| 34. | Lakshadweep | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 35. | Pondicherry | 98 | 0 | 82 | 180 |
| | TOTAL (P) | 34723 | 24926 | 32969 | 92618 |

(P): Provisional

## Manufacture of semi-conductors

*170. SHRI CHITTABRATA MUJUMDAR:
SHRI TAPAN KUMAR SEN:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are going to announce a new policy to start the manufacture of semi-conductors and other high technology I.T. products;

(b) if so, the salient features of this policy; and

(c) the time-frame for announcement of this policy?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI DAYANIDHI MARAN): (a) to (c) In the Finance Minister's Budget speech, it was stated that a policy would be announced with respect to the manufacture of Semi-conductor and other high technology Information Technology products, including Flat Liquid Crystal Display (LCD)/Organic Light Emitting Display (OLED)/Plasma Panel Displays and Storage Devices, to make India a preferred destination. A final view has yet to be taken regarding the package of incentives. The policy would be finalised and announced shortly.

## Indian labourers in Malaysia

†*171. SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA: Will the Minister of OVERSEAS INDIAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that 37 labourers of West Bengal have been held as bonded labourers in Malaysia;

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.